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Application No. Applicant(s) Notification of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief 09/751.076 HARIF, SHLOMI (37 CFR 41.37) Examiner Art Unit Jeff Piziali 2673

The Appeal Brief filed on 24 July 2003 is defective for failure to comply with one or more provisions of 37 CFR 41.37.

To avoid dismissal of the appeal, applicant must file a complete new brief in compliance with 37 CFR 41.37 within ONE MONTH or THIRTY DAYS from the mailing date of this Notification, whichever is longer. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME

- PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136. 1. 🖂 The brief does not contain the items required under 37 CFR 41.37(c), or the items are not under the proper heading or in the proper order. The brief does not contain a statement of the status of all claims, (e.g., rejected, allowed or confirmed, 2. 🔯 withdrawn, objected to, canceled), or does not identify the appealed claims (37 CFR 41.37(c)(1)(iii)). At least one amendment has been filed subsequent to the final rejection, and the brief does not contain a statement of the status of each such amendment (37 CFR 41.37(c)(1)(iv)). (a) The brief does not contain a concise explanation of the subject matter defined in each of the independent 4. 🔯 claims involved in the appeal, referring to the specification by page and line number and to the drawings, if any, by reference characters; and/or (b) the brief fails to: (1) identify, for each independent claim involved in the appeal and for each dependent claim argued separately, every means plus function and step plus function under 35 U.S.C. 112, sixth paragraph, and/or (2) set forth the structure, material, or acts described in the specification as corresponding to each claimed function with reference to the specification by page and line number, and to the drawings, if any, by reference characters (37 CFR 41.37(c)(1)(v)). 5. The brief does not contain a concise statement of each ground of rejection presented for review (37 CFR 41.37(c)(1)(vi)) The brief does not present an argument under a separate heading for each ground of rejection on appeal (37 CFR 41.37(c)(1)(vii)). .
- 6. XI
- 7. 🗍 The brief does not contain a correct copy of the appealed claims as an appendix thereto (37 CFR 41.37(c)(1)(viii)).
- 8. The brief does not contain copies of the evidence submitted under 37 CFR 1.130, 1.131, or 1.132 or of any other evidence entered by the examiner and relied upon by appellant in the appeal, along with a statement setting forth where in the record that evidence was entered by the examiner, as an appendix thereto (37 CFR 41.37(c)(1)(ix)).
- The brief does not contain copies of the decisions rendered by a court or the Board in the proceeding identified in the Related Appeals and Interferences section of the brief as an appendix thereto (37 CFR 41.37(c)(1)(x)).
- 10.🛛 Other (including any explanation in support of the above items): See Continuation Sheet.

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Continuation of 9. Other (including any explanation in support of the above items): In the "Status of Claims" section, the brief lacks a statement of the status of all the claims in the application, or patent under reexamination, i.e., for each claim in the case, appellant must state whether it is cancelled, allowed, objected, rejected, etc. In particular, it has been left unclear whether any claims were objected to.

In the "Status of Amendments" section, the brief lacks a statement of the status of any amendment filed subsequent to final rejection, i.e., whether or not the amendment has been acted upon by the examiner, and if so, whether it was entered, denied entry, or entered in part. This statement should be of the status of the amendment as understood by the appellant. Although the brief lists no unentered amendments are present in the application, it remains unclear whether any amendments were entered.

In the "Summary of Invention" section, the brief lacks a concise explanation of the invention defined in the claims involved in the appeal, which shall refer to the specification by page and line number, and to the drawing, if any, by reference characters. Specifically, the "Summary of invention" section does not refer to any particular drawings; and the fabric, fabric coupled switch units, capsule, and switch have not been identified by their corresponding reference numbers.

In the "Grouping of claims" section, the appellant has included a statement that respective claims within groups A-L stand or fall together. However, in the "Arguments" section, the appellant has grouped and argued groups A-E, H, and J together 9 (see Page 4 of the brief); grouped and argued groups F, G, and I together (see Page 9 of the brief); and grouped and argued groups K and L together (see Page 13 of the brief), each under a single respective heading. If an appealed ground of rejection applies to more than one claim and appellant considers the rejected claims to be separately patentable, 37 CFR 1.192(c)(7) requires appellant to state that the claims do not stand or fall together, and to present in the appropriate part or parts of the argument under 37 CFR 1.192(c)(8) the reasons why they are considered separately patentable.